

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA CHARLESTON DIVISION

MARVIN M. WATSON,	§	
Plaintiff,	§	
	§	
VS.	§	CIVIL ACTION 2:24-03364-MGL-MGB
	§	
WARDEN KENDALL, LT. TRAVIS GUESS,	§	
and SGT. S. ROBINSON,	§	
Defendants.	§	

ORDER ADOPTING THE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION AND DISMISSING THE ACTION AGAINST TWO DEFENDANTS

Plaintiff Marvin M. Watson (Watson), who is self-represented, filed this lawsuit against Defendants Warden Kendall (Kendall), Lt. Travis Guess (Guess), and Sgt. S. Robinson (Robinson).

The matter is before the Court for review of the Report and Recommendation (Report) of the United States Magistrate Judge recommending to the Court Watson's claims against Kendall and Robinson be dismissed without further leave to amend. The Report was made in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636 and Local Civil Rule 73.02 for the District of South Carolina.

The Magistrate Judge makes only a recommendation to this Court. The recommendation has no presumptive weight. The responsibility to make a final determination remains with the Court. *Mathews v. Weber*, 423 U.S. 261, 270 (1976). The Court is charged with making a de novo determination of those portions of the Report to which specific objection is made, and the Court may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the recommendation of the Magistrate Judge or recommit the matter with instructions. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1).

The Magistrate Judge filed the Report on January 2, 2025, but Watson failed to file any objections to the Report. "[I]n the absence of a timely filed objection, a district court need not conduct a de novo review, but instead must 'only satisfy itself that there is no clear error on the face of the record in order to accept the recommendation." Diamond v. Colonial Life & Acc. Ins. Co., 416 F.3d 310, 315 (4th Cir. 2005) (quoting Fed. R. Civ. P. 72 advisory committee's note). Moreover, a failure to object waives appellate review. Rodgers v. Collins, 766 F.2d 841, 845-46 (4th Cir. 1985).

After a thorough review of the Report and the record in this case pursuant to the standard set forth above, the Court adopts the Report, and incorporates it herein. It is therefore the judgment of the Court Watson's claims against Kendall and Robinson are **DISMISSED** without further leave to amend. Thus, this case will proceed against only Guess.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Signed this 5th day of February, 2025, in Columbia, South Carolina.

/s/ Mary Geiger Lewis MARY GEIGER LEWIS UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Entry Number 25

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

Watson is hereby notified of the right to appeal this Order within thirty days from the date hereof, pursuant to Rules 3 and 4 of the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure.